Dear Task Force on Gun Violence Prevention:

I am writing as a father 3 children in the Ct Region 6 school system and an avid outdoorsman.

In the wake of Newtown tragedy, the State of Connecticut must become the standard-bearer in ensuring that such massacres never occur again. Your leadership on this issue is crucial. Please put the safety of our children first, above everything else.

Regulating assault weapons and high capacity magazine clips and requiring background checks for <u>all</u> gun purchases do not infringe on our Second Amendment rights. We have seen to many of our innocent citizens massacred by madmen and criminals and must change course. The National *Assault* Rifle Association's position on this issue is utterly senseless.

Please have the courage to stand up to the gun lobby and the NRA and do what is right for the citizens of our State!

Sincerely,

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